

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1-6 (canceled)

1 Claim 7 (new): A power supply switch used in a motor vehicle, the switch comprising a
2 base body side connector and a movable body side connector for connecting electrical circuits
3 provided in a base body side and a movable body side of the vehicle,

4 wherein one of the base body side connector and the movable body side connector has a
5 plurality of receptacle terminals while the other has a plurality of pin tab terminals, the other
6 connector having a terminal cover piece for receiving an electrical contact portion provided in a free
7 end side of each of the pin tab terminals, the terminal cover piece being slidable in engagement and
8 disengage directions of the terminals, the terminal cover piece urged by a resilient member parallel
9 to an extended direction of the pin tab terminal,

10 wherein the terminal cover piece is formed with a plurality of guide holes each slidably
11 receiving each of the pin tab terminals, and the terminal cover piece is formed with a recess between
12 the guide holes for reducing weight of the terminal cover piece,

13 wherein a forward end of each of the pin tab terminals is located rearward from the front
14 surface of the terminal cover piece during a disengaged state of the base body side connector and the
15 movable body side connector.

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/986,643

1 Claim 8 (new): The switch as claimed in claim 7, wherein the terminal cover piece has a front
2 surface facing the base body side, a rear end surface facing the movable body side, and an outer
3 peripheral side surface connecting the front surface with the rear end surface, the outer peripheral
4 side surface having a flange, the resilient member positioned between a face of the flange and a
5 bottom surface of a housing of the movable body side connector.

1 Claim 9 (new): The switch as claimed in claim 8, wherein the housing is unitarily formed
2 with another flange at an inner wall thereof for abutting against the flange of the terminal cover
3 piece.

1 Claim 10 (new): The switch as claimed in claim 7, wherein another resilient member is fitted
2 at a rear end of each of the tab terminals such that the resilient member urges the tab terminal in an
3 insertion direction of the tab terminal.

* * * *